

U.S. Application No.: NEW
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace title with the following title:

"LED HEADLIGHT FOR ASYMMETRICAL ILLUMINATION"

Please add the following paragraph after the title:

Cross Reference To Related Application

[0001] This application is a *national stage* of PCT/EP2003/011516 filed October 17, 2003 and based upon DE 102 49 819.9 filed October 24, 2002 and upon DE 103 10 263.9 filed March 10, 2003 under the International Convention.

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following amended paragraph:

[0002] The invention relates to an LED headlight having an asymmetrical illumination characteristic, and to a method for operating such a headlight ~~in accordance with the preamble of patent claims 1 and 10.~~

Please replace paragraph [0007] with the following amended paragraph:

[0007] The object is achieved by means of an illumination device and a method suitable for operating such a ~~device having the features of patent claims 1 and 10.~~ an illumination device, in particular for use in a motor vehicle, which is formed by an array of individual optical elements that are in each case

assigned at least one semiconductor light source, in particular a light emitting diode, characterized in that the light entry opening of the optical elements have an elongate, essentially rectangular form, in that the optical element have, perpendicular to the light entry area, a central region whose projection into a two-dimensional plane corresponds to a cylindrical two-dimensional Cartesian oval, and in that said central region is combined with a parabolic reflector and a method for driving an illumination device as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the semiconductor light sources can be driven individually in a manner dependent on the desired radiation characteristic, it being possible in this case for the semiconductor sources to be entirely or partly activated. Advantageous refinements and developments of the invention are exhibited by the subordinate claims. The invention is explained below in detail with reference to exemplary embodiments and figures.